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A. Remarks

The claims of the instant application have been amended to more specifically define the instant invention over the prior art cited by the Examiner. Specifically, the claims of the instant application have been amended more clearly define the instant invention as **directly** monitoring and controlling individual or discrete components of a computer or processor system. More specifically, the instant invention includes limitations requiring the detecting **directly** of at least two parameters of each individual component of a computer or processor system, in which at least one of the individual components being monitored is ancillary to a processor. Such a limitation is neither taught nor disclosed in the prior art of record. To the contrary, Atkinson is only capable of monitoring and controlling the computer system as a whole (i.e. measure temperature from a single location in the entire computer system and turn on a fan that cools the entire computer) and does not monitor multiple parameters of individual components. Assuming arguendo that Atkinson's knowing whether a fan is on or off or controlling speed adjustments constitutes "monitoring", as is asserted by the Examiner, such "monitoring" would only be of a single **direct** parameter (i.e. the parameter fan speed = off, low, med, high, etc.). The monitoring **directly** of multiple parameters of an individual component allows the instant invention to monitor and control each component on an individual basis to avoid damage to that component. Alternatively, the monitoring of the single parameter of a component, such as the speed of a fan, does not allow the same level of protection from damage.

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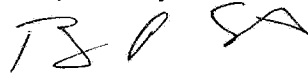
In response to Applicant's prior arguments, the Examiner asserts at page 2 of the Office Action dated June 20, 2008 the Examiner refers to col. 2, lines 50-63, column 2 of Atkinson as disclosing a single temperature measurement that is a parameter of each of multiple elements of the system. Applicant respectfully traverses this argument. Specifically, as is set forth in col. 2, lines 50-63 of Atkinson, Atkinson discloses only a single thermistor. A single thermistor is capable only of **directly** measuring temperature at a single location or of a single component.

C. Conclusion

It is respectfully submitted that a full and complete response has been made to the outstanding Office Action and, as such, there being no other objections or rejections, this application is in condition for allowance, and a notice to this effect is earnestly solicited.

If any further fees are required in connection with the filing of this amendment, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3140.

Respectfully submitted,



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